

First Lutheran Church Council Minutes - July 9, 2012

Members Present: Doug Fessler, Patty Akers, Tim Hurson, Jim Ayers, Mike Luvera, Alice Wanless, Brett Koss **Members Absent:** Sue Ayers, Debbie Butler, Bev Gruber, Charlene Watterson, Dewey Keith **Non-members present:** Paster Dennis

Devotions given by Patty Akers. **Minutes** from June 11, 2012 council meeting were approved.

Budget Review

Net loss Jan. 2012 – June 2012 of \$1690.97. Discussion of informing congregation, with reminders in the bulletin of level of giving and budget shortfall. Goal for September is to encourage auto-giving.

Old Business

Pastor evaluation – Several council members still need to turn in pastor evaluations. Brett asked those present who hadn't already done so, to stay and fill one out.

Ministry Goals – Council president, Brett, asked each ministry to identify and present their goal of a realistic and meaningful action plan, which could begin in September and be accomplished by December. That plan should focus on the three goals identified in the Mission Development exercise of; growing the congregation, youth ministry and prayer ministry. Discussion of having Ministry night on first Monday of month for all ministries, beginning with devotion, split up for individual ministry meetings, and rejoining for wrap up. Council goal is for the first Monday in October at 7:00. Patty volunteered to write article for Flare.

New Business

Joe Johnson has accepted a full time position at CWU. Need to begin advertising for the part time Youth Director position. It was suggested to advertise in the Synod newsletter, the Daily Record, CWU student employment website and with the Ministerial Association. Pastor Dennis presented information about a Lutherhaven program that has Lutherhaven Staff come here once a month and present a day program for youth. The cost is \$100.00/month.

Staff and Ministry Reports

Pastor Dennis – Full report was given to council, including:

- Information was given to council regarding Albiut leaving the Tree of Life Lutheran Church in Yakima.
- Ordination of Matthew Erickson, Saturday, Aug. 11.
- Thanks to everyone who helped serve and play games for the lunch program, June 25-29, with food provided by FISH. There were 150 children there for lunch almost every day. The program continues through the summer.

Worship and Music – Met June 17. Hymn Sing the 4th Sunday during the summer months. Aug. 12 is Heavenly Harps with potluck following.

Property Management – Working on "To Do List". Jim Stolte is helping with mowing.

Outreach – Doug presented brochure on the Faith Action Network. The Outreach Ministry proposes that FLC becomes a advocating congregation. Council agreed to research and address at the next meeting.

Congregational Life, Education, Youth, and Stewardship – No report.

Next meeting will be August 13, 2012. Devotions by Doug Fessler. Meeting adjourned.

